Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—I do not want to take credit or give credit. It was in excellent condition.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—May I know who was responsible?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—The officers on the spot.

Service Commission.

53. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

1. whether the Government proposes to appoint a Service Commission in the State to make recommendations in the matter of appointments in Government service;

2. if there is such a proposal, will the Government be pleased to state the nature and composition of the Commission;

3. what is roughly the number of appointments on an average that will have to be made in the State per mensem?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—1 and 2. The proposal is under consideration.

3. Information is not available on the point.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Has any definite action been taken subsequent to the answer?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Were any definite suggestions made with regard to the appointment of the Commission by the Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No.

54. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Government has in view any definite principle with regard to the representation of all communities in the Government service;

(b) whether the Government has accepted that appointments should be made in the Government service from amongst the various communities in the State on a population basis;

(c) if the answer is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to state whether the whole population or the literate section of the same is taken into account for that purpose?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

(b) and (c). Vide answer to question No. 53.

55. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether there is any proposal to appoint a Public Service Commission in Cochin;

(b) how did the idea originate;

(c) at what stage does it stand now?

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